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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated December 28, 2007, Applicants submit the following response:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.